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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Mikihide NAKAMARU et al.

Title: BOILING WATER REACTOR NUCLEAR POWER PLANT AND ITS  
CONSTRUCTION METHOD

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

An extension fee for response within the second month was previously paid. The extension fee for response within the third month is accordingly \$520.00. A check for this amount is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

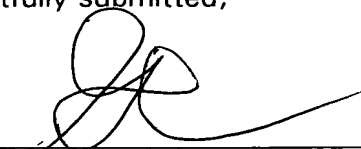
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Respectfully submitted,

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